



Admission Requirements to the Nursing Program

General Requirements for Admission to the Bachelor of Science in Nursing:

1. Complete the admission application to Universidad del Sagrado Corazón and make the corresponding payment.
2. Have a high school GPA of 2.50 or a minimum of 3,300 of admission index. Applicants with a bachelor's degree or equivalent should have 3.00 GPA. Students with a lower academic index will be evaluated by the Nursing Program.
3. Send professional interest questionnaire to the Nursing Program.
4. Specify in which modality you want to attend the Bachelor of Science in Nursing: on-site or distance education.
5. Be a citizen or permanent resident of EE.UU.
6. Submit a Criminal Record Certificate issued by the Puerto Rico Police Department effective for 30 days. If it is processed online, it must be validated and include a copy of the validation. Any candidate who has lived outside of Puerto Rico for a term of five (5) years prior to the filing of their application must submit an original Criminal Record Certificate issued by the competent authority of the state, country, or countries where they lived.
7. Students from institutions outside the jurisdiction of the United States must submit an academic degree homologation approval by an academic credential evaluation agency.
8. Foreign students must comply with the requirements established in the current Catalog. All documents related to the legal status and residence in the EE. UU of foreign students must be valid for not less than 2 years.
9. Students with an Associate of Science in Nursing must also have a permanent license and current professional record of the Puerto Rico Board of Nursing or its counterpart in the US. Must show license and registration evidence.

Requirements for distance/accelerated modality in Nursing

- Foreign students should also present the official identification of the origin country, preferably valid passport.
- Possess a baccalaureate degree in any discipline or have at least 24 approved university credits with an academic average of not less than 2.50 points.

General requirements for admission to the Associate Degree of Science in Nursing: distance education

In addition to institutional requirements, the following is requested:

- 21 years old.
- Meet at least one of the following requirements:
 - College experience (9 credits minimum with a 2.50 GPA minimum)
 - Clinical experience (could be LPN, medical assistant, among others)

Students admitted to distance education must meet the following additional Requirements

1. Present official government identification of the country of origin, preferably a valid passport.
2. Have access to a computer with the following specifications:
 - a. Operating System -Windows 7 or greater; MAC OSX 10.7 Lion or greater (ideally 10.10.2) with a minimum of 2GB of space.
 - b. Processor / RAM -Dual-core 2.4 Ghz CPU, 2 GB RAM or better (Windows), Intel Processor, 2 GB RAM or better (MAC).
 - c. Browser -Chrome 25.0 or higher, Mozilla Firefox 20.0 or higher, Internet Explorer 9.0 or higher, Safari (Chrome preferred).
 - d. Java script Enabled & Third-Party Cookies Enabled.
 - e. Web-Cam Resolution -800x600 or better (and a working Microphone).
 - f. Internet Connection -Cable Modem, DSL or better (300 kbps download, 250 kbps upload)
3. Have basic internet browsing skills.
4. Basic knowledge and skills of operating system management, word processors, software, and work tools.
5. Knowledge about managing email accounts, to send, attach and receive messages.
6. Other technical requirements that are included in the Distance Education section of the 2020-21 Catalog or the current one.

Additional requirements for students transferred from another accredited higher education institution

1. Submit a student copy of credit transcript from the institution of origin for initial evaluation, and an official copy, directly from the institution, for final decision of the courses to be validated.

Requirements for Sagrado students enrolled in another program

1. Current Sagrado students admitted to another program who are interested in switching to Nursing must have a minimum GPA of 2.50. To make this change you must follow the procedures established by the institution for this purpose. Students with lower academic index will be evaluated by the Nursing Program.

Additional requirements after the student is admitted to the Nursing Program

All students admitted to the Nursing Program must submit the following documents in order to participate in clinical practice courses. These requirements are aligned with practice scenarios requirements and must be up to date before starting each clinical practice:

1. Valid Health Certificate issued by the Puerto Rico Department of Health (maximum validity period of 1 year.)
2. Criminal Record Certificated issued by PR police (validity 30 days).
3. Certificate of Puerto Rico Act 300 - Sex Offenders Registry (maximum validity period of 1 year).
4. Copy of Birth Certificate or passport.
5. CPR Certificate (validity period of 2 years) *It cannot be taken online.
6. Evidence of Vaccination against Hepatitis B (3 doses) and Chickenpox (2 doses). After 10 years, you need to have a laboratory sample for red blood cells antibody screen. If the dose administration sequence is not correct (0, 1 and 6), a red blood cell screen must be made to confirm that antibodies developed.
7. Seasonal Influenza Vaccine (annual administration).
8. Infection Control Certificate (OSHA).
9. Certificate of Confidentiality (HIPAA Law).
10. Certificate of Respiratory Protection for Airborne Exposures (maximum validity period of 1 year.)
11. Crisis Intervention Certificate (CPI).

12. Negative nose and throat swab culture - This is required for some clinical areas in accordance with the policy of the collaborating institution.
13. Sagrado student ID with photo.
14. 2 X 2 photo (as required by institution).
15. Resume (as required by institution).
16. Copy of health insurance (as required by the institution)
17. Other documents as required by the agency in which you will practice and the Department of Health of the Government of Puerto Rico.

Admission Procedure

1. Once all the admission documents have been completed, the Nursing Admissions Committee (Director, Coordinator, and Faculty) will evaluate the candidate's file for approval.
2. Applicants who have completed a bachelor's degree in any discipline may have up to 90 credits by validation depending on the Committee evaluation: 46 credits in general education courses, 12 science credits, and 32 concentration credits.
3. The curriculum or sequential for people with a bachelor's degree enrolled in the distance education mode, will be 21 credits per semester divided into 6 weeks terms (3 terms per semester).
4. Once the application for admission is approved, the Nursing Program, in coordination with the admissions officer, will assign the courses you can enroll in, in accordance with the current curriculum.